Dear Paul, 10/3/73

We both appreciate your this morning's call. Lil said what we both feel, "Paul sure is a good friend."

Your timing could not have been better. I was just drying my glasses after getting soaked in hurricane-like rains, with a high wind of not of hurricane force. We had four inches of rain in bno time at all. As I think I told you, when I could no longer delay taking the mail out the runoff of the hillside was about four inches deep in the lane, steel as it is. I can't remember getting wet to to the tops of the thighs with the slicker-type farmer's long raincoat snapped closed. But we apparently missed the worst. I can remember the type of electrical atmospheric interference on the microwave relays, either. But unless the bridge over the inlet to the pond washed away, we have no serious problem. The tornados did not touch down here.

I've been working mainly at catching up today, getting a little more filing done, shifting a few files around, etc. This gave me a little time for thinking. I do know if toward any possibility.

But your reporting that Rintels is writing an eight-hour Watergate script reminds me again of how much value I could be to these serious-minded people if the means of contact existed.

Normally, agents do this. I know nothing about Hollywood agents but I presume their consider their time more valuable that the New York species/ But if the length of thework is an indication of the material required for it any saving in time and work, aside from other values, should be worth much. I am confident I can do this and I'm certain I have material others do not have, unpublished material/ plus what I have done with them.

If there were an agent whose clients tend more to the non-fiction or to the political or socially useful, I sure would like to be able to talk to him.

On Watergate I have a full file cabinet of material, pretty complete from the papers. I have a completed and unread manuscript, The Unimpeachment, and a more then book length earlier work I laid aside because it was too all-encompassing. What of it 'll retyped must be a bout 500 pages. I also have the Ervin hearings and some of the books, none of which is really good. I do know what was on those 18 1/2 minutes of tape. And one chapter of the first book is on L. Patrick Gray, what others missed entirely.

For years I've been hoping to meet Hollywood people who could make some use of this kind of work. Bill O'Connel told me that those he spoke to in 1966 and 1967 would not turn on. Maggie Fields would never try. I wonder if Ebsen might know any or have a way of learning is there is anyone who could act as an agent?

You asked about the Jobst supports. I believe you said you have a friend who has to wear them and has trouble with them. I think they are valuable and that while there may have been some error in fashioning them that they must not be easy to get exactly right. I have two new sets. One of these is wearing a corn on a little toe. Walking from GHA to where I met Jim yesterday I stopped off at their service center. The support is took long. However, I'm afraid to snip the end as they recommended because I fear that without the reinforcing at the foot end it will turn up when I put socks on and when I walk. I may have to do it. Little things like this accumulate into many annoyances. This on followed another futility at GHA. I was told that certain tests the new doctor ordered could be made at any time,-that yesterday would be okay, not to make a special trip to town for them. So to ave two large cab fares yesterday I did not go to the lab until I was in that part of town. Then and only then I was told that two of the hemotology tests cannot be made after 11:30 a.m. because GHA farms those tests out to another lab. So I asked the doctor's nurse to arrange for our local lab to do it. I said if there is a greater charge I'd pay the difference and gave her its name. Some time after I left she phoned Lil to say she could not find it through the information operaor. Naturally, with the right name and only one medical lab in all of this town. With this a holiday weekend it will be 12 days after the delays made it too late to have the testing done the days the doctor ordered them. Only then will I be able to go to the local lab and pay for it myself. However, except for intermittent discomfort and the resultant disquiet I do feel pretty god. I'm also trying to introduce a little effeciency or eliminate some inefficiency. Best,